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**CHARGE TO THE KIDSFIRST
GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE TO
IMPROVE ACCESS TO ORAL HEALTH**

As part of the KidsFirst Initiative, Governor Doyle called for a task force to analyze and offer solutions to address the shortage of dental care professionals and children's access to dental care in Wisconsin. He directed his office to create the task force and to develop policy recommendations on the following issues.

1. Recommend strategies for educating an adequate number of dental health professionals if the state is not currently doing so.
2. Recommend strategies for how communities and the state might better recruit and retain dental professionals throughout Wisconsin.
3. Recommend strategies for how the state can improve access to dental care for children in Medicaid and BadgerCare.
4. Recommend ways to improve access for all children and to provide better preventative dental care.
5. Recommend most effective ways to spend Medicaid dollars on preventative care.